

IC 25-22.5-6

Chapter 6. Discipline; Retirement of Licenses

IC 25-22.5-6-1

Retirement and surrender; inactive status

Sec. 1. (a) Any physician licensed to practice medicine or osteopathic medicine in this state who intends to retire from practice shall notify the board in writing of his intention to retire and shall surrender his license to practice to the board. Upon receipt of this notice and license, the board shall record the fact that the physician is retired and excuse the person from further payment of registration fees. If any physician surrenders his license to practice medicine or osteopathic medicine in this state, reinstatement of the license may be considered by the board upon written request. The board may impose any conditions it considers appropriate to the surrender or to the reinstatement of a surrendered license. If any disciplinary proceedings under this chapter are pending against a physician, he may not surrender his license to practice without the written approval of the board.

(b) Any physician licensed to practice medicine or osteopathic medicine in this state who intends to become inactive in the practice of medicine shall notify the board in writing that:

- (1) he will not maintain an office or practice; and
- (2) if he does render a service that constitutes the practice of medicine, he will not charge a fee for that service.

The board shall then classify the physician's license as inactive. The renewal fee of the inactive license is one-half (1/2) of the registration fee. If a physician holding an inactive license intends to maintain an office or practice or charge a fee for his medical services, he shall notify the board of the intent to reactivate a license to practice medicine or osteopathy. Upon notification and receipt of the regular registration fee for a physician's license, the board shall reinstate that physician's license.

(Formerly: Acts 1975, P.L.271, SEC.1.) As amended by Acts 1979, P.L.246, SEC.1; P.L.247-1985, SEC.15.

IC 25-22.5-6-2 Repealed

(Repealed by Acts 1981, P.L.222, SEC.296.)

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Repealed

(Repealed by P.L.152-1988, SEC.30.)

IC 25-22.5-6-3

Immunity from civil liability

Sec. 3. The executive director and staff of the health professions service bureau, counsel, investigators, hearing officers, and the board members are immune from civil liability for damages for conduct within the scope and arising out of the performance of their duties.

(Formerly: Acts 1975, P.L.271, SEC.1.) As amended by Acts 1977,

P.L.172, SEC.28; Acts 1981, P.L.222, SEC.157; P.L.247-1985, SEC.17.

IC 25-22.5-6-4

Injunctions

Sec. 4. Injunctions. In cases where the continued practice of medicine by an accused is considered harmful to the public or himself, the board may sue to enjoin the accused from practicing medicine or osteopathic medicine until the hearing, provided in section 3 of this chapter, is completed and a decision rendered.

(Formerly: Acts 1975, P.L.271, SEC.1.)